

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please amend the paragraph b beginning page 12, line 10 with the following paragraph.**

Further, as shown in Fig. 6B, approximately “[□] U” character-shaped hook bars 13, for preventing an excessive extension of the bellows 1, are provided in the guiding groove portions 8d of the rails 8. The hook bars 13 connect the moving blocks 10 adjacent to each other in a longitudinal direction of the bellows 1 such that a distance between them is within a set range. In other words, a maximum distance between the moving blocks 10 adjacent to each other is determined by the hook bars 13. In this example, the hook bars 13 are disposed on the right and left side alternately with respect to the central line of the moving block 10 extending in the axial direction of the bellows 1. That is, as illustrated in Fig. 5B, in consecutive three moving blocks 10, i.e., a first, second and third moving block, if the first and the second moving blocks 10 are tied up to the right hook bar 13, the second and the third moving blocks 10 are tied up to the left hook bar 13.